

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

5 1. (Previously Presented) Greeting card making apparatus for assisting in the production of a greeting card by duplication apparatus comprising a layout template that defines a layout area, said layout area including a recessed area, said layout area accommodating at least one object that is to be contained
10 in said greeting card, said greeting card making apparatus being convertible between a layout mode and a duplication mode, the layout area being observable by a user during the layout mode so that the user may observe an arrangement of the at least one object within said layout area, the layout template being
15 reproducible by said duplication apparatus so that said duplication apparatus produces a copy of the arrangement of the at least one object within said layout area defined by said layout template.

2. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim
20 1, wherein said layout template defines a position in said layout area for said at least one object and an orientation in said layout area for said at least one object.

3. Canceled.

4. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim
25 1, wherein said layout area includes an opening.

5. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a backing member, said backing member forming a portion of said layout area.

6. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 1, wherein said layout template defines at least one opening therein, said at least one opening exposing a portion of the at least one object contained within said layout area.

5 7. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a transparent cover member operatively associated with said layout template so that said transparent cover member can be moved between a first position and a second position, said transparent cover member exposing said layout area when said transparent cover member is in the first position, said transparent cover member covering said layout area when said transparent cover member is in the second position, said transparent cover member also securing the at least one object contained within said layout area when said transparent cover member is in the second position.

20 8. (Previously Presented) Greeting card making apparatus for assisting in the production of a greeting card by duplication apparatus comprising:

25 a layout template that defines a layout area, said layout area accommodating at least one object that is to be contained in said greeting card, said greeting card making apparatus being convertible between a layout mode and a duplication mode, the layout area being observable by a user during the layout mode so that the user may observe an arrangement of the at least one object within said layout area, the layout template being reproducible by said duplication apparatus so that said duplication apparatus produces a copy of the arrangement of the at least one object within said layout area defined by said layout template;

30 a transparent cover member operatively associated with said layout template so that said transparent cover member can be moved between a first position and a second

position, said transparent cover member exposing said layout area when said transparent cover member is in the first position, said transparent cover member covering said layout area when said transparent cover member is in the second position, said transparent cover member also securing the at least one object contained within said layout area when said transparent cover member is in the second position; and

5 a backing member operatively associated with said layout template, and wherein said backing member and said transparent cover member secure the at least one object contained within said layout area when said transparent cover member is in the second position and said layout template is positioned between said backing member and said transparent cover member.

10 9. (Previously Presented) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a sticker, said sticker removably adhering to said greeting card making apparatus.

15 10. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 1, wherein said layout template comprises cardboard.

11. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 1, wherein said layout template comprises a plastic material.

20 12. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 1, wherein said layout area is defined by said layout template such that the arrangement of said at least one object within said layout area is to be contained in a front outer portion of said greeting card.

25 13. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 1, wherein said layout area is defined by said layout template such that the arrangement of said at least one object within said

layout area is to be contained in a front inner portion of said greeting card.

14. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 1, wherein said layout area is defined by said layout template 5 such that the arrangement of said at least one object within said layout area is to be contained in a back inner portion of said greeting card.

15. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 1, wherein said layout area is defined by said layout template 10 such that the arrangement of said at least one object within said layout area is to be contained in a back outer portion of said greeting card.

16. (Original) Greeting card making apparatus for assisting in the production of a greeting card by duplication 15 apparatus, comprising:

a backing member that defines a layout area; said layout area accommodating at least one object that is to be contained in said greeting card; and

20 an aperture grille operatively associated with said backing member so that said aperture grille can be moved between a first position and a second position, said aperture grille including at least one opening therein, said aperture grille exposing said layout area when said aperture grille is in the first position, said aperture grille covering a portion of said layout area when said aperture grille is in the second position, the at least one opening in said aperture grille exposing a portion of the 25 at least one object contained within said layout area when said aperture grille is in the second position.

30 17. (Original) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 16, wherein said aperture grille secures the at least one object

contained within said layout area when said aperture grille is in the second position.

18. Canceled.

19. Canceled.

5 20. Canceled.

21. (Currently Amended) Greeting card making apparatus, comprising:

10 a layout template defining at least one layout area, said at least one layout area accommodating at least one object that is to be contained in said greeting card; and

15 a cover member pivotally mounted to said layout template so that said cover member can be pivoted between a first position and a second position, said cover member exposing said at least one layout area when said cover member is in the first position, said cover member securing the at least one object in said at least one layout area when said cover member is in the second position, said cover member comprising a rigid, transparent material.

22. (Previously Presented) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 21, wherein said cover member defines at least one opening therein, said at least one opening in said cover member being generally aligned with at least a portion of the at least one object in said at least one layout area when said cover member is in the second position.

25 23. Canceled.

24. Canceled.

25. (Previously Presented) The greeting card making

apparatus of claim 21, wherein said layout template defines at least one opening therein, said at least one opening defining said at least one layout area.

26. (Previously Presented) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 21, further comprising a backing member attached to said layout template.

27. (Previously Presented) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 26, wherein said backing member is opaque.

28. (Previously Presented) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 26, wherein said backing member is rigid.

29. (Previously Presented) The greeting card making apparatus of claim 21, further comprising a guideline provided on said layout template, said guideline defining said at least one layout area.